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SUBJECT: 1978 SUMMER ECOSOC: ILLICIT PAYMENTS INITIATIVE

- 1. IN DISCUSSION WITH FRGERMANY REP (KOCH) AND ITALIAN REP (ROSSI), WE HAVE GOTTEN AGREEMENT FROM THEM NOT TO WORK AGAINST US IN NEGOTIATIONS OR IN ANY FORMAL WAY IN THE COUNCIL. THEY BOTH WILL ATTEND INFORMAL NEGOTIATING SESSION ON U.S./CANADIAN RESOLUTION, BUT WILL NOT SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE PROPOSAL.
- 2. PRIVATELY HOWEVER BOTH EXPRESS DEEP CONCERN THAT PLANS FOR A DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE NOT GO FORWARD UNTIL THERE IS SUFFICIENT ASSURANCE THAT SUCH A CONFERENCE WOULD NOT END IN FAILURE. THEY CITE THE FAILURE OF THIS SPRING'S PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE TO ESTABLISH UNIDO AS A SPECIALIZED AGENCY AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW A PREMATURE CONFERENCE COULD SET BACK AN AGREEMENT BY TWO YEARS. THEY ISSUE STIFF WARNINGS ABOUT THE DANGERS OF PUSHING AHEAD TOO FAST.
- 3. HOWEVER, THEY DO NOT SEEM WILLING TO RESIST STRONGLY OR FORCEFULLY AND APPARENTLY SEE THEIR BEST CONFIDENTIAL.

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TACTIC TO BE TO SIT BACK AND LET THE G-77 CARRY THE BALL FOR THEM.

4. G-77 DID NOT CONSIDER OUR RESOLUTION TODAY, BUT EXPECT TO TOMORROW. THERE IS NOT MUCH MORE TO BE DONE UNTIL 77 HAS SORTED THEMSELVES OUT. WE'LL CONTINUE TO CULTIVATE RELATIONSHIPS WITH ATMOSPHERE GENERALLY

POSITIVE, BUT IT LOOK	S LIKE IT WILL	BE MONDAY	BEFORE WE
NEGOTIATE THE TEXT	VANDEN HELL	VEL.	

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